EEOC Form 161 (11/16)

U.S. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

DISMISSAL AND NOTICE OF RIGHTS To: Michael Hurley From: **New York District Office** 3834 Manning Road 33 Whitehall Street Watkins Glen, NY 14891 5th Floor New York, NY 10004 On behalf of person(s) aggrieved whose identity is CONFIDENTIAL (29 CFR §1601.7(a)) **EEOC Representative** Telephone No. Holly M. Shabazz, 16G-2019-02642 State & Local Program Manager (929) 506-5316 THE EEOC IS CLOSING ITS FILE ON THIS CHARGE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON: The facts alleged in the charge fail to state a claim under any of the statutes enforced by the EEOC. Your allegations did not involve a disability as defined by the Americans With Disabilities Act. The Respondent employs less than the required number of employees or is not otherwise covered by the statutes. Your charge was not timely filed with EEOC; in other words, you waited too long after the date(s) of the alleged discrimination to file your charge The EEOC issues the following determination: Based upon its investigation, the EEOC is unable to conclude that the information obtained establishes violations of the statutes. This does not certify that the respondent is in compliance with the statutes. No finding is made as to any other issues that might be construed as having been raised by this charge. The EEOC has adopted the findings of the state or local fair employment practices agency that investigated this charge. X Other (briefly state) - NOTICE OF SUIT RIGHTS -(See the additional information attached to this form.) Title VII, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act, or the Age Discrimination in Employment Act: This will be the only notice of dismissal and of your right to sue that we will send you. You may file a lawsuit against the respondent(s) under federal law based on this charge in federal or state court. Your lawsuit must be filed WITHIN 90 DAYS of your receipt of this notice; or your right to sue based on this charge will be lost. (The time limit for filing suit based on a claim under state law may be different.) Equal Pay Act (EPA): EPA suits must be filed in federal or state court within 2 years (3 years for willful violations) of the alleged EPA underpayment. This means that backpay due for any violations that occurred more than 2 years (3 years) before you file suit may not be collectible.

CC:

Enclosures(s)

Kevin J. Berry. **District Director**

On behalf of the Commission

December 20, 2019

(Date Mailed)

Attn: Director of Human Resources ITHACA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 400 Lake Street Ithaca, NY 14850

FACTS ABOUT FILING AN EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION SUIT IN FEDERAL COURT IN NEW YORK STATE

You have received a document which is the final determination or other final action of the Commission. This ends our handling of your charge. The Commission's action is effective upon receipt. Now, you must decide whether you want to file a private lawsuit in court. This fact sheet answers several commonly asked questions about filing a private lawsuit.

WHERE SHOULD I FILE MY LAWSUIT?

Federal District Courts have strict rules concerning where you may file a suit. You may file a lawsuit against the respondent (employer, union, or employment agency) named in your charge. The appropriate court is the district court which covers either the county where the respondent is located or the county where the alleged act of discrimination occurred. However, you should contact the court directly if you have questions where to file your lawsuit. New York State has four federal districts:

- The United States District Court for the Southern District of New York is located at 500 Pearl Street in Manhattan. It covers the counties of Bronx, Dutchess, New York (Manhattan), Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, and Westchester. (212) 805-0136 http://www.nysd.uscourts.gov
- The United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York is located at 225 Cadman Plaza in Brooklyn and covers the counties of Kings (Brooklyn), Nassau, Queens, Richmond (Staten Island), and Suffolk. (718) 613-2600 http://www.nyed.uscourts.gov
- The United States District Court for the Western District of New York is located at 68 Court Street in Buffalo. It covers the counties of Allegheny, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates. (716) 551-4211 http://www.nywd.uscourts.gov
 332 1700
- The United States District Court for the Northern District of New York is located at 100 South Clinton Street in Syracuse and covers the counties of Albany, Broome, Cayuga, Chanango, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Onandaga, Oswego, Otsego, Rensselaer, St. Lawrence, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Tioga, Tompkins, Ulster, Warren, and Washington. This District Court's pro Se Attorney has offices at 10 Broad Street in Utica New York. (315) 234-8500 https://www.nynd.uscourts.gov

WHEN MUST I FILE MY LAWSUIT?

Your private lawsuit must be filed in U.S. District Court within 90 days of the date you receive the enclosed EEOC Notice of Right to Sue. Otherwise, you will have lost your right to sue.

(Over) Page 1 of 2



Ithaca City School District
Board of Education
400 Lake Street
Ithaca, New York 14850
Phone: (607) 274-2101

Mr. Michael Hurley 3834 Manning Road Watkins Glen, New York 14891 Via: Regular mail/certified mail

Dear Mr. Hurley:

On January 14, 2020, the Board of Education voted affirmatively to terminate your employment with the Ithaca City School District effective January 15, 2020.

Very truly yours,

Tricia Beresford

Board of Education Clerk

Ithaca City School District

Ecc: Albert Comfort, Labor Relations Specialist, NYSUT

Lawrence Cutler, Union Representative